

## DOT PUZZLE NOW PUZZLES PUBLIC

Hundreds Counting Elusive  
Rims and Points.

### "IT" GROWS IN POPULARITY

Washington People Send in Their Estimates and Praise Enterprise of The Times.

Stop, look, and listen. White dot contestants. And prospective contestants. The white dot puzzle will set in motion by The Times is daily grinding out hundreds of answers. The counts so far submitted to the Puzzle Editor show a wide variation.

Indeed, it is within the bounds of all that is reasonable to suggest that no one may have hit upon the right number.

Who knows? Consequently the persons who are a bit late in sending in their answers have equally as good chance to capture first prize as those who have been more prompt. There is no need to hesitate about sending your answer. Everybody has a fighting chance.

Becomes Popular. Every day the contest is growing in popularity, and it now holds a central position in the gaze of the public. From the tone of the letters which accompany many of the answers it would seem that the one aim of Washington at present is to win the Knabe grand piano and the thirty-nine other prizes offered by The Times.

And as far as "it" is concerned, there can be no question as to its popularity. Of course, you know who "it" is? "It," the South African White Face Ring Tail Monkey, the thirteenth prize in the white dot puzzle contest. Why, he is even making his debut in the theaters.

At the Lafayette Opera House last night a man in the audience was heard to yell, "Hay, there, it." He was addressing a friend.

Growing Dotty. Letters accompanying the answers are convincing proof that the good citizens of Washington are slowly, but surely, "going dotty." Says one woman who thinks that brevity is the soul of wit: "Hope I will win one prize, but don't want monkey. Don't laugh, please."

It is evident from the tone of another letter that the writer has had a little trouble in counting the number of white dots. The following postscript was attached: "I figure this as a matter of business as counting dots is not what it is cracked up to be."

Brightest, Cleanest. Another letter reads: "Inclosed are my estimates on the number of dots, and my subscription for the brightest, cleanest paper in the city. Let the good work go on."

The piano which is to be given away as first prize is on exhibition in the window of Knabe & Co.'s sales rooms, 1215 F Street northwest.

"It" may also be seen in his quarters at Schmidt's, bird and animal store, Twelfth Street, above, 12.

JURY MUST PASS ON "JIM CROW" LAW Justice Claiborne Refuses to Instruct That Verdict Be Rendered for Defendant.

Without passing upon the constitutionality of the "Jim Crow" railway law of the State of Virginia, Chief Justice Claiborne today overruled a motion asking that the jury, in the case of Nelson S. Spencer against the Washington, Alexandria and Mount Vernon Railway Company for damages, return a verdict for the defendant.

Mr. Spencer, a New York lawyer, contends that he was arrested without warrant of law at the instance of the defendant's cars, from Mount Vernon. His arrest, it was contended, was made by the Alexandria police.

Chief Justice Claiborne decided that the case should go to the jury, and that the jury should be instructed to determine what, if any, damages shall be awarded the plaintiff.

MAJOR L. A. CRAIG DIES IN NEW YORK

Funeral of Retired Army Officer Will Be Held Tomorrow—Interment at Arlington Cemetery.

Major Louis A. Craig, U. S. A., retired, died yesterday morning in New York city, after a long illness. His funeral will be held at Arlington tomorrow at 10:30 a. m.

Major Craig was a distinguished officer, for many years a member of the famous Sixth Cavalry, participating in its numerous Indian scouts and campaigns in the West until he went to West Point as senior instructor in cavalry.

Was in the Philippines. At the outbreak of the Spanish war he was appointed an adjutant general of volunteers, and later was appointed colonel of the Thirty-second United States Volunteer Infantry, in command of which he served nearly two years in the Philippine Islands. Major Craig's hard service there undermined his health. After his return to this country his physical condition was so much impaired that he was obliged to retire from active service. He has been retired only about one year.

He leaves a wife and two children, one of whom is a captain in the army.

## PORTRAIT OF "IT."



South African Simian, popular prize of Dot Contest.

## PETWORTH WANTS CAR FACILITIES

Demand of District Authorities by Citizens.

### ELEVENTH ST. EXTENSION

To Soldiers' Home Would Relieve Congestion on Brightwood Line, Say Messrs. Syme and Powderly.

A large delegation of citizens from Brightwood and Petworth, headed by Attorney Conrad Syme, called on the District Commissioners this morning and presented their reasons for asking the authorities to request Congress to enact a law compelling the extension of the tracks of the Anacostia and Potomac River Railroad from Eleventh Street to the Soldiers' Home. The Commissioners took the matter under consideration.

Mr. Syme said he knew that there were two bills pending before Congress for the extension of these tracks, but he thought the railroad company ought to be allowed to choose the route it preferred for the extension. He thought the best route would be for the tracks to go down Lydecker Avenue, thence by Brightwood Avenue to Richmond Street, and up this last-named thoroughfare to the Soldiers' Home.

Conditions Intolerable. "The conditions along the Brightwood line are now intolerable," said Mr. Syme. "The extent of the congestion on these cars is almost incredible. Such an extension as we ask would afford facilities of travel to 750 people of Petworth and to many other residents of all those sections. The fact of the matter is, the street car facilities are not adequate for the needs of the population."

T. V. Powderly followed Mr. Syme and said: "The Brightwood Avenue line runs through slums near the boundary, and the road is in perfect and unflinching keeping with its surroundings. It is of itself a shame. We must have better treatment from the railway companies. They will not hear us. We ask your aid."

Others who spoke for the extension of the tracks were John J. Hamphill, Nathan G. Galt, and George W. Galt. The committee showed their indignation at not having better transportation facilities.

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Special invitations will be issued admitting friends of the Hanna family to the galleries. All arrangements for the memorial service have been put into Senator Foraker's hands by President pro tem, Frye.

BRYAN, METCALF, AND HAYDEN IN CONFERENCE

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Although the police of the Fourth precinct have twelve negro men arrested under suspicion of being implicated in the murderous assault made upon Jacob Lavine, in his store, 213 Third Street southwest, on Monday morning, they have practically no proof against any of them, and their release is expected shortly.

Several negro women who say they were standing in Willow Tree Alley near the store, at the time of the assault and saw a negro man come out and run up the alley, were summoned to the Fourth precinct by Lieutenant Matthews today to identify the man they saw, but none of the chosen twelve answered the description.

Physicians at the Emergency Hospital said that the man who was struck on the head and felled to the floor of his store, was much improved and will probably recover, although the skull was fractured and part of it had to be removed because it was pressing on the patient's brain.

Policeman Hayden, went to the hospital yesterday and was permitted to go to Lavine's room and sit by the bed for some time. Once the patient responded to a question, and said "The man who hit me was a tall, dark fellow, and had a small mustache. I can identify him if I see him."

The physicians would not permit the patient to talk much, for fear it would be detrimental to him.

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